

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

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A computer system and method for calculating and estimating bulk product cost differentials is disclosed herein. ~~Aspects of the invention described which can~~ improve upon modern methods for processing and evaluating bulk product items like salt or animal feed by reducing marketing costs while increasing product visibility. Furthermore, ~~aspects of the invention~~ allow a potential client to manipulate a variety of factors and variables to customize a pricing estimate for their specific need. Once the factors have been defined, the estimator may automatically determine cost differentials for a single product or for comparing multiple products. Another aspect ~~of the invention~~ allows a client to seamlessly transition between configuring a cost savings estimate and purchasing the product. The invention system and method may also be implemented in a variety of ways, including on a network like the Internet. ~~An option may also exist that allows clients to~~ Clients can also input their own variables or factors or to submit customized methods for determining costs.